



## **Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting**

**August 08, 2024, at 6:00 PM**

**Howey-in-the-Hills Town Hall**

**101 N. Palm Ave.,**

**Howey-in-the-Hills, FL 34737**

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### MINUTES

#### CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Board Chair Joshua Husemann called the Parks and Recreation Board Meeting to order at 06:05 p.m.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Joshua Husemann, Board Chair | Teresa Pileggi, Board Member | Staci Mauro, Board Member

#### **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mary Arnold, Board Secretary | Meredith Bright, Board Member

#### **STAFF PRESENT:**

Morgan Cates, Public Works Director | Brianna Pino, Public Works Administrative Assistant

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Consideration and Approval of the July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes.

**Motion made by Board Member Mauro to approve of the 07/11/2024 Parks and Recreation Meeting; seconded by Board Member Pileggi. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.**

#### **Voting**

**Yea:** Board Chair Husemann, Board Member Pileggi, Board Member Mauro

**Nay:** None

#### OLD BUSINESS

2. Discussion: **Parks Assessment**

Board Member Mauro stated that the Cemetery appeared well-maintained and in good condition.

Board Member Pileggi reported that Griffin Park had significant debris.

Board Chair Husemann advised that Blevins Park was in good standing.

Board Chair Husemann noted that work was ongoing at Central Park.

**3. Discussion: Staff Parks Update**

Public Works Director, Morgan Cates, reported that the design for the cemetery entrance had been submitted and was set to proceed. Mr. Cates also advised that he had discovered an old Town logo, which could be incorporated into the design.

Mr. Cates advised that the new exercise pads for the equipment at Griffin Park had been installed.

**4. Discussion: Sara Maude Mason Nature Preserve Boardwalk Project Update**

Public Works Director, Morgan Cates, reported that construction of the Sara Maude Mason Nature Preserve Boardwalk was progressing as scheduled.

**5. Discussion: Pine Park Update**

Public Works Director, Morgan Cates, confirmed that Pine Park had only a concept plan. Mr. Cates advised that nothing had been finalized regarding the park's features.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**6. Discussion: Finger Pier Status**

Public Works Director, Morgan Cates, advised that three proposals had been submitted for the Finger Pier RFP, with the Town's budget set at \$25,000. Mr. Cates confirmed that the selected contractor was the same one used for the Sara Maude Mason Nature Preserve Boardwalk.

**7. Discussion: Status Update on Central Park Swing Set Replacement**

Public Works Director, Morgan Cates, informed the board that the old swing set in Central Park had been removed. Mr. Cates advised that the new footers were scheduled for inspection the following day and that the new swing set was expected to be completed within a week.

**BOARD COMMENTS**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None


**ADJOURNMENT**

**There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Board Member Mauro to adjourn the meeting; Board Member Pileggi seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.**

The Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m. | **Attendees: 5**

  
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Board Chair Joshua Husemann

ATTEST:

  
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Brianna Pino, Public Works Administrative Assistant